

I. AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1.-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously presented) A method for preparing a composition comprising a peptide antigen, the method comprising:

a) obtaining a peptide antigen comprising a CTL epitope, wherein the CTL epitope comprises one or more non-natural amino acids selected from the group consisting of γ -aminobutyric acid, norvaline, norleucine, isophenylalanine, phenyl glycine, homolysine, γ -methyl-l-leucine, homophenylalanine, 2-amino 2-hydroxy acetic acid, homoserine, homoleucine, and ornithine; and

b) preparing the composition with the antigen.

9. – 19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the antigen is a tumor antigen.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the tumor antigen is derived from breast cancer, ovarian cancer, prostate cancer, blood cancer, skin cancer, uterine cancer, cervical cancer, liver cancer, colon cancer, lung cancer brain cancer, head & neck cancer, stomach cancer, esophageal cancer, pancreatic cancer, or testicular cancer.

22. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein the tumor antigen is HER-2.

23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the antigen is a viral antigen.

24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the antigen is a bacterial antigen.

25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the antigen is a parasitic antigen.

26. – 43. (Canceled)

44. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is γ -aminobutyric acid.
45. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is norvaline.
46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is norleucine.
47. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is isophenylalanine.
48. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is phenyl glycine.
49. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is homolysine.
50. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is γ -methyl-l-leucine.
51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is homophenylalanine.
52. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is 2-amino-2-hydroxy acetic acid.
53. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is homoserine.
54. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is homoleucine.
55. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-natural amino acid is ornithine.

56. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the CTL epitope is E75 which has been modified to comprise one or more non-natural amino acids selected from the group consisting of γ -aminobutyric acid, norvaline, norleucine, isophenylalanine, phenyl glycine, homolysine, γ -methyl-l-leucine, homophenylalanine, 2-amino 2-hydroxy acetic acid, homoserine, homoleucine, and ornithine.